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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN PRESIDING

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Good morning and welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. This morning our chaplain for the day is Pastor Christy Dowdy from the Antelope Park Church of the Brethren here in Lincoln. Pastor.

PASTOR DOWDY: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: I call the fifty-fourth day of the Nebraska Legislature to order. Senators, please check in, roll call.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Corrections to the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: No messages, reports or announcements at this time, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: We'll next move to legislative resolutions, LR 340, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (LR) 340 by Senator Chris Peterson found on page 1119 of the Journal.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Schmitt, you are recognized to open on the legislative resolution.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. I am handling LR 340 this morning for Senator Peterson. She's snowed in in Grand Island. Apparently we got some bad weather out that way this morning and I was a cosigner of this, cosponsor of this resolution, and what it is, is for the child abuse children. Every year, millions of innocent children across the nation are victims of child abuse/neglect. To recognize the problem, April has been designated Child Abuse Prevention Month on both the national and the local level. Our children are our greatest